

## REMARKS

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Claims 1 to 14, 16 to 21, and 23-26 are pending in the present application. Reconsideration of the present application in view of this response is respectfully requested.

### **II. ALLOWED CLAIMS**

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 1-14, 16-21 and 23-26 are allowed.

### **III. REJECTION OF CLAIM 22**

Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over JP 09325165 in view of JP 03122544. Claim 22 has been canceled, without prejudice. Thus, the rejection of claim 22 should be withdrawn.

## CONCLUSION

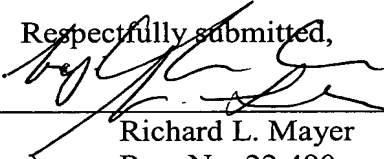
It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Passage to issuance is, therefore, requested.

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